## AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 13, 2009

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

## **ASSEMBLY BILL**

No. 1089

## **Introduced by Assembly Member Villines**

February 27, 2009

An act relating to public postsecondary education. An act to add Section 66025.9 to the Education Code, relating to student financial aid.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1089, as amended, Villines. Public postsecondary education: finance. California State University and University of California: student financial aid.

The Donahoe Higher Education Act sets forth, among other things, the missions and functions of California's public and independent segments of higher education, and their respective institutions of higher education. The California Community Colleges, the University of California, and the California State University constitute the 3 public segments of higher education in California.

Existing law establishes various student financial aid programs under the administration of the Student Aid Commission, and establishes eligibility requirements for the receipt of awards under those programs for participating students attending qualifying institutions.

This bill would require the California State University, and would request the University of California, to grant priority for institutional student financial aid to eligible members and former members of the California National Guard.

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to modify the basis upon which those institutions calculate the number

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of full-time equivalent students within the respective institutions, in order to encourage timely and successful completion of coursework by students enrolled in those institutions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 66025.9 is added to the Education Code, 2 to read:
- 3 66025.9. The California State University shall, and the 4 University of California is requested to, grant priority for
- 5 institutional student financial aid to eligible members and former
- 6 members of the California National Guard under student financial
- 7 aid programs that are administered by the respective institutions.
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- 11 University of California calculate the number of full-time
- 12 equivalent students within the respective institutions, in order to
- 13 encourage timely and successful completion of coursework by
- 14 students enrolled in those institutions.